

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Operations, DD/P

SUBJECT: Intelligence Collection Activities during a Serious Threat of War

REFERENCES:

- a. Memo "Review of Warning Capabilities" dtd 31 Aug 61 from DDP to ADCI (TS 181280)
- b. Memo "Emergency Collection Operations" dtd 27 Sept 61 from DDP to ADCI (TS 181298)

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1. As a result of inquiries made by [REDACTED] and General Cabell, we have very carefully canvassed the problem of planning special collection activities to be undertaken during a period of grave threat of war. In getting into this whole matter, we sought the assistance of those elements in the intelligence community that are responsible for establishing indicators of imminence of hostilities. We have learned from them that during the maneuvers presently being conducted in Eastern Europe there are literally no more indicators left to be flagged, and, therefore, the planning of future intelligence missions aimed at determining specific Soviet military and associated activities simply cannot be undertaken.

2. We could, of course, plan collection activities and have ready teams that could be dispatched upon notice to any point within a certain feasible range. This would be in response to the requirement that we be in a position to confirm or deny threatening moves that have otherwise been reported through other channels.

3. Before going further with plans of this nature, I would very much like to discuss this problem with you and with representatives of the interested components of the DDP. These would include the Chief, SR, Chief, FI, Chief, FI/D, Chief, DDP and Chief, TSD.

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